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Sir:

Further to Applicants' Duty of Disclosure pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants wish to bring to the Examiner's attention the material cited on the enclosed Form PTO-1449.

The listed references include references previously cited in this application. Newly cited documents are indicated by an asterisk (\*) on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the newly cited documents are enclosed. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2)(ii), copies of the newly cited U.S. publications and/or patent documents have not been included.

The previously submitted Form PTO-1449 contained a typographical error in the date of an EP Patent. This error is corrected and the reference is marked by a "+" symbol. In addition, it appears two U.S. patents were incorrectly cited in previous

submissions. U.S. 6,195,362 was incorrectly cited as U.S. 6,196,362. U.S. 5,745,484 was incorrectly cited as U.S. 6,745,484. These corrections have been made and marked by a “†” symbol.

Incorrect priority information was cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed on November 13, 2009. This application is not related to the following applications: Non-Provisional Application No. 09/775,304, filed on February 1, 2001, which issued on October 11, 2005 as U.S. Patent No. 6,954,448; Non-Provisional Application No. 11/235,725, filed on September 26, 2005, which issued on March 10, 2009 as U.S. Patent No. 7,502,351; and Non-Provisional Application No. 12/400,872, which was filed on March 10, 2009.

This application claims priority from U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/180,598, filed on February 7, 2000.

This application is related to: Non-Provisional Application No. 09/775,305, filed on February 1, 2001, which issued on July 18, 2006 as U.S. Patent No. 7,079,523; Provisional Application No. 60/282,936, which was filed on April 10, 2001; Non-Provisional Application No. 11/486,531, which was filed on July 14, 2006; Non-Provisional Application No. 12/488,798, which was filed on June 22, 2009; Non-Provisional Application No. 10/119,522, filed on April 9, 2002, which issued on June 23, 2009 as U.S. Patent No. 7,551,663; Non-Provisional Application No. 09/775,304, filed on February 1, 2001, which issued on October 11, 2005 as U.S. Patent No. 6,954,448; Non-Provisional Application No. 11/235,725, filed on September 26, 2005, which issued

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on March 10, 2009 as U.S. Patent No. 7,502,351; Non-Provisional Application No. 12/400,872, which was filed on March 10, 2009; Non-Provisional Application No. 09/088,413, filed on June 1, 1998, which issued on April 24, 2001 as U.S. Patent No. 6,222,832; Non-Provisional Application No. 09/515,487, filed on February 29, 2000, which issued on September 17, 2002 as U.S. Patent No. 6,452,913; Non-Provisional Application No. 09/730,376, filed on December 5, 2000, which issued on March 16, 2004 as U.S. Patent No. 6,707,804; Non-Provisional Application No. 09/997,621, filed on November 29, 2001, which issued on January 13, 2004 as U.S. Patent No. 6,678,260; Non-Provisional Application No. 09/997,732, which was filed on November 29, 2001; Non-Provisional Application No. 09/997,733, filed on November 29, 2001, which issued on February 24, 2009 as U.S. Patent No. 7,496,072; Non-Provisional Application No. 10/179,121, filed on June 24, 2002, which issued on October 13, 2009 as U.S. Patent No. 7,602,749; Non-Provisional Application No. 10/755,874, filed on January 12, 2004, which issued on September 6, 2005 as U.S. Patent No. 6,940,842; Non-Provisional Application No. 10/761,130, filed on January 20, 2004, which issued on August 9, 2005 as U.S. Patent No. 6,928,064; Non-Provisional Application No. 10/895,591, which was filed on July 21, 2004; Non-Provisional Application No. 11/183,677, filed on July 18, 2005, which issued on January 20, 2009 as U.S. Patent No. 7,480,280; Non-Provisional Application No. 11/183,520, which was filed on July 28, 2005; Provisional Application No. 60/297,925, which was filed on June 13, 2001; Provisional Application No. 60/378,697, which was filed on May 7, 2002; Non-Provisional Application No.

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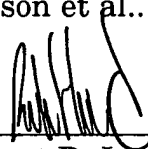
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It is respectfully requested that the Examiner consider these documents and return an initialed copy of the Form PTO-1449 indicating consideration of the cited materials.

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